

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY
NEWARK DIVISION**

IN RE: PROTON-PUMP INHIBITOR PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION (NO. II) This Document Relates to: <i>William Welch v. Pfizer Inc., et al.</i> Docket No.: 2:21-cv- 15404-CCC-MF	MDL No. 2789(CCC)(MF) Case No.: 2:17-md-2789
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SECOND AMENDED SHORT FORM COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

The Plaintiff(s) named below file(s) this *Second Amended Short Form Complaint and Demand for Jury Trial* against Defendants named below by and through their undersigned counsel and as permitted by Case Management Order No. 7. Plaintiff(s) incorporate(s) by reference the allegations contained in *Plaintiffs' Master Long Form Complaint and Jury Demand in In re: Proton-Pump Inhibitor Products Liability Litigation*, MDL 2789, in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey pursuant to Case Management Order No. 7.

In addition to those causes of action contained in *Plaintiffs' Master Long Form Complaint and Jury Demand*, where certain claims require specific pleadings and/or amendments, Plaintiffs shall add and include them herein.

IDENTIFICATION OF PARTIES

Identification of Plaintiff(s)

1. Name of individual injured/deceased due to the use of PPI Product(s): William Welch.

2. Consortium Claim(s): The following individual(s) allege damages for loss of consortium: _____.

3. Survival and/or Wrongful Death Claims:

a. Plaintiff, _____, is filing this case in a representative capacity as the _____ of the Estate of _____, deceased.

b. Survival Claim(s): The following individual(s) allege damages for survival claims, as permitted under applicable state laws: _____
_____.

4. As a result of using PPI Products, Plaintiff/Decedent suffered pain and suffering, emotional distress, mental anguish, and personal and economic injur(ies) that are alleged to have been caused by the use of the PPI Products identified in Paragraph 10, below, but not limited to the following:

X _____ injury to himself/herself

_____ injury to the person represented

_____ wrongful death

_____ survivorship action

X _____ economic loss

_____ loss of services

_____ loss of consortium

X _____ other: other injuries not yet known, discovered or identified

Identification of Defendants

5. Plaintiff(s)/Decedent is/are suing the following Defendant(s) (please check all that apply):

Abbott Laboratories

AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP

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GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare Holdings (US) LLC

Merck & Co. Inc. d/b/a Merck, Sharp & Dohme Corporation

Novartis Corporation

Novartis Pharmaceutical Corporation

Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics, Inc.

Novartis Institutes for Biomedical Research, Inc.

Novartis Consumer Health, Inc.

x Pfizer, Inc.

The Procter & Gamble Company

The Procter & Gamble Manufacturing Company

x Takeda Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc.

x Takeda Pharmaceuticals America, Inc.

x Takeda Development Center Americas, Inc. f/k/a Takeda Global Research & Development Center, Inc.

x Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited

____ Other(s) Defendant(s) (please identify): _____

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JURISDICTION & VENUE

Jurisdiction:

6. Jurisdiction in this Short Form Complaint is based on:

☒ Diversity of Citizenship

☐ Other (The basis of any additional ground for jurisdiction must be pled in sufficient detail as required by the applicable Federal Rules of Civil Procedure).

Venue:

7. District Court(s) in which venue was proper where you might have otherwise filed this *Short Form Complaint* absent Case Management Order No. 7 entered by this Court and/or to where remand could be ordered: D. Mass.

CASE SPECIFIC FACTS

8. Plaintiff(s) currently reside(s) in (City, State): Mashpee, MA.

9. To the best of Plaintiff's knowledge, Plaintiff/Decedent used PPI Product(s) during the following time period: for various dates and years

10. Plaintiff/Decedent used the following PPI Products, for which claims are being asserted:

Dexilant

Nexium

Nexium 24HR

Prevacid

Prevacid 24HR

Prilosec

Prilosec OTC

x Protonix

___ Other (List All):

11. The injuries suffered by Plaintiff/Decedent as a result of the use of PPI Products include, among others that will be set forth in Plaintiff's discovery responses and medical records:

Acute Interstitial Nephritis (AIN)

x Acute Kidney Injury (AKI)

x Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)

Dialysis

Death

x Other(s) (please specify): acute on chronic renal insufficiency/failure and related sequelae, RAHS, and other injuries not yet known, realized or discovered.

12. At the time of the Plaintiff's/Decedent's diagnosis of injury, Plaintiff/Decedent resided in (City, State): Mashpee, MA.

CAUSES OF ACTION

13. Plaintiff(s), again, hereby adopt(s) and incorporate(s) by reference the *Master Long Form Complaint and Jury Demand* as if fully set forth herein.

14. The following claims and allegations asserted in the Master *Long Form Complaint and Jury Demand* are herein more specifically adopted and incorporated by reference by Plaintiff(s) please check all that apply):

- ☒ Count I: Strict Product Liability
- ☒ Count II: Strict Product Liability – Design Defect
- ☒ Count III: Strict Product Liability – Failure to Warn
- ☒ Count IV: Negligence
- ☒ Count V: Negligence *Per Se*
- ☒ Count VI: Breach of Express Warranty
- ☒ Count VII: Breach of Implied Warranty
- ☒ Count VIII: Negligent Misrepresentation
- ☒ Count IX: Fraud and Fraudulent Misrepresentation
- ☒ Count X: Fraudulent Concealment
- ☒ Count XI: Violation of State Consumer Protection Laws of the State(s) of:
MA and throughout the United States
- ☐ Count XII: Loss of Consortium
- ☐ Count XIII: Wrongful Death
- ☐ Count XIV: Survival Action
- ☒ Furthermore, Plaintiff(s) assert(s) the following additional theories and/or

Causes of Action against Defendant(s) identified in Paragraph five (5) above. If Plaintiff(s) includes additional theories of recovery, to the extent they require specificity in pleadings, the specific facts and allegations supporting these theories must be pled by Plaintiff(s) in a

manner complying with the requirements of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure:

Design Defect, Failure to Test, Equitable Tolling, Discovery, Punitive Damages, and any and all theories applicable under law.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff(s) pray(s) for relief and judgment against Defendants of compensatory damages, punitive damages, interest, costs of suit and such further relief as the Court deems equitable and just, and as set forth in the *Master Long Form Complaint and Jury Demand*, as appropriate.

JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff(s) hereby demand a trial by jury as to all claims in this action.

Dated: August 16, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

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